

*National Association of the Deaf – Interpreter Code of Ethics*

1. All information in any interpreting assignment is to be kept in strictest confidence.
2. Interpreting services shall always be competent, impartial and professional.
3. Messages shall be rendered faithfully, always conveying the content and spirit of the communicator, and professional judgement should be exercised in assessing whether communication is being understood.
4. In accepting assignments, discretion based on skill, setting, and the consumers involved must be used.
5. Counseling or interjecting personal opinion is never permitted.
6. Information on the role and appropriate use of interpreting services shall be provided to the consumers when necessary.
7. Information on available resources as appropriate should be provided.
8. Compensation for services should be pursued in a professional manner.
9. Respect of and for the deaf person's rights must always be evident.
10. Only the highest professional standards, as promulgated by the NAD, shall be pursued.

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